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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Madam:

In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed November 12, 2008, applicants hereby provisionally elect Group I for continued examination, with traverse.

If any additional fee is required in conjunction with this response, the Commissioner is authorized to charge our deposit account No. 22-0261, and notify undersigned counsel accordingly.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.